GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
LOK SABHA

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Funds to Tribal Areas
Poddar Smt. Aparupa

Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has allocated and released funds for tribal and backward areas of the country to provide drinking water and sanitation facilities ;
(b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and
(c) whether the Government has received the utilisation certificates from States in this regard and if so, the utilisation percentage of funds in each State during the said period?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
(SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI)

(a) Yes Madam, under National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP), 10% of the total allocation of funds are earmarked to be used for ST dominated habitations.

The Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) (SBM(G)) has been launched on 2nd October, 2014, which aims at attaining Swachh Bharat by 2nd October 2019. The focus of the scheme is on behavior change and usage of toilets. Under SBM(G) funds are released to States/UTs. Adequate priority is given for Tribal and Backward areas of the country. 10% of the total allocation is reserved for Schedule Tribes (STs) each year. Funds for Tribal and Backward areas are not released separately.

(b) The State-wise details of funds allocated and released for this during each of the last three years and the current year are at Annexure-I. There is no separate allocation for backward areas.
Under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) (SBM(G)), State/UT-wise Central share released and utilised during last 3 years and current year is at Annexure-II.

(c) Yes Madam, the State-wise details of funds utilized for ST dominated habitations in each States under NRDWP as per information provided by States on online portal of the Ministry Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) are at Annexure-I.

In Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) (SBM(G)), Funds are released after receipt of Utilisation Certificates as per the prescribed guidelines.